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59. The device of Claim 58, wherein said material does not completely encapsulate said expandable member.

- 60. The device of Claim 55, wherein said expandable member comprises a member selected from the group consisting of a braid, a coil, a ribbon-like structure, a slotted tube, a plurality of ribs and a filter-like mesh.
- 61. The device of Claim 55, wherein said expandable member expands as said elongate member is retracted.
- 62. The device of Claim 55, wherein said expandable member occludes the blood vessel when said expandable member contacts the vascular segment.
- 63. The device of Claim 55, wherein said expandable member has holes therein to allow for the perfusion of blood when said expandable member is expanded.
- 64. The device of Claim 55, wherein the expandable member has a proximal end connected to the tubular member and a distal end connected to the elongate member.

REMARKS

With this amendment, Claims 43-64 are pending in the present application. Claims 23-42 have been canceled. Applicant reserves the right to pursue these claims at a later date. The specification has been amended as indicated above to claim priority only from Serial No. 09/026,106, filed February 19,1998. The specific changes to the specification are shown on the attached page entitled "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE." Applicant respectfully requests a prompt examination of Claims 43-64.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The paragraph at page 1, line 3 has been amended as follows:

This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/026,106, filed February 19, 1998 [which is a continuation in part of an earlier filed application (Serial No. 08/650,464, filed May 20, 1996), which is in turn a continuation in part of an application (Serial No. 08/464,579) filed June 6, 1995].

The paragraph at page 7, line 7 has been amended as follows:

A mechanism is provided for compressing the self-expanding sealing mechanism 666 so that the apparatus can be inserted into the vessel [481] and consists of an elongate sleeve 771 having proximal and distal extremities 772 and 773 and a bore 774 extending from the proximal extremity 772 to the distal extremity 773. A collar 776 is mounted on the proximal extremity 772 of the sleeve 771 and is positioned near the adapter 656. The collar 776 serves as a mechanism for retracting the sleeve as shown in Figure 2 to uncover the self-expanding sealing mechanism 666 after the catheter has been deployed to permit the self-expanding sealing mechanism 666 to expand and form a seal with the arterial vessel adjacent the stenosis to be treated.

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